GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
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GODOWNS IN U.P.
MAHBOOB ZAHEDI

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether more than 2726.648 metric tonnes of foodgrains are lying unused and damaged in the godowns in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether the foodgrains lying in these godowns are more than six to seven years old;

(c) if so, whether any action plan has been formulated for the speedy disposal of foodgrains; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the purpose for which the damaged foodgrains are to be utilised?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SH KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a): As intimated by FCI, FCI has 2400.429 MT of damaged foodgrains in U.P. region as on 30th June, 2002.

(b): Out of the quantity mentioned in reply to part (a) above, only 395 MT is more than five years old.

(c)&(d): Damaged foodgrains are categorised into 6 categories, i.e. Feed I, Feed II, Feed III, Industrial Use, Manure and Dumping FCI is authorized to dispose of these damagedfoodgrains at prescribed formula rates. Feed category foodgrains are disposed of for use as animal feed. The progress of disposal of damaged foodgrains is monitored on a monthly basis.